

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

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EXAMINER: WILLIAM K. CHEUNG

FOR: LOW-COLOR PVB SHEET AND A PROCESS FOR MAKING SAME

Submission of Revised Declaration

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants and the undersigned wish to thank the Examiner for conducting a telephone interview with the undersigned on May 1, 2009. In response to suggestions made by the Examiner, a revised Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132 is submitted herewith.

During the interview the pending claims, cited documents and the last version of the Declaration were discussed.

The Examiner pointed out that the Declaration should include a table of ingredients used in each of the samples. The Examiner requested that the table show what was used to neutralize the samples and differences in amounts used. Applicants have included the requested table in the enclosed Declaration and included the requested information in the table.

The Examiner stated that the Attachment to the Declaration containing the gel count data did not include a legend. A legend in the enclosed revised Declaration. Moreover, the attachment is described in detail in the body of the Declaration.

The Examiner and the undersigned also discussed that the data presented is directed to showing that the invention provides unexpectedly superior clarity.

The undersigned also noted during the discussion that it is well known in the art that PVB adheres to glass. In support of this point, enclosed is Jerome W. Knapczyk, "Vinyl Acetal Polymers", Kirk-Othmer Encyclopedia of Chemical Technology, which at page 8 describes laminated glass made from PVB stating in the second paragraph of section 4.2.1 that PVB sheet exhibits high adhesion to glass. In addition, for the Examiner's convenience applicants submit herewith R. Terrell Nichols et al., "Laminated Materials, Glass", Kirk-Othmer Encyclopedia of Chemical Technology.

In view of the remarks presented in the prior Response, interview and herein in support of patentability and the revised Declaration, allowance of the above-referenced application is respectfully requested. Should any matters remain, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed direct dial telephone number in order to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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